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Sustainable Development Goals
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is need to have 17 Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to implement it to get 169 related goals in 2016 in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is non-availability of sufficient data to formulate a relevant policy and also lack of financial resources with the Government to achieve the said Global Sustainable Development Goals;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the steps being taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to collect sufficient data on SDGs to formulate a relevant policy and to generate resources for the SDGs funds?

Answer

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(a) In September, 2015, the United Nations adopted the document titled Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopting a new set of 17 global Sustainable Development Goals for the next 15 years, i.e. up to 2030. These SDGs are containing 169 targets. Moreover, these are universal goals and targets which involve the entire world, developed and developing countries (including India) alike.

(b) The SDGs include Poverty, Employment, Education and Literacy, Health, Gender Equality and Women Empowerment, Child Development, Water and Sanitation, Modern Energy and Decent Work, Resilent Infrastructure, Sustainable cities, Sustainable Consumption and Production, combat climate change, Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources, Protect ecosystems, reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss, Promote peaceful and inclusive societies, provide access to justice for all.

The Government of India has been implementing a number of Central Sector / Centrally Sponsored Development Schemes throughout the country for the benefit of the people at the grass root level. Every year, sufficient funds are allocated under the Union Budget to run these schemes. These schemes like Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM), Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY), Indira Awas Yojana (IAY), National Health Mission (NHM), Sarva Shiksha Abyhiyan (SSA), Mid-Day Meal Scheme (MDMS), Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission (RGNDWM), National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), Swachh Bharat Mission etc. are addressing most of the targets identified by the UN under the SDGs.

(c) (d) and (e) - The Implementing Ministries of the Union Government have been collecting data on regular basis on the CS/CSS schemes with regard to their targets and achievements. The MIS data of the Implementing Ministries will help in mapping the SDGs. However, as the SDGs have been intimated by the UN to the participating countries like India very recently, Government of India has initiated work to map the different CSS schemes that are co-relating the SDGs and to identify the indicators for the targets under the SDGs.